

## Pinnated Bittern (*Botaurus pinnatus*)

(2 subspecies; both within plan area)

## Conservation Concern Category:

**High Concern**

### Population Trend (PT)

*B. pinnatus pinnatus*—unknown (Delany and Scott 2002)

*B. pinnatus caribaeus*—unknown (Delany and Scott 2002)

“nothing is known about its population sizes or trends in the region...” (Kushlan and Hafner 2000)

Trend estimated to be declining (Marshbird Workshop 2005)

**PT FACTOR SCORE=4**

### Population Size (PS)

*B. pinnatus pinnatus*—unknown (Delany and Scott 2002)

*B. pinnatus caribaeus*—unknown (Delany and Scott 2002)

“in Mexico this bittern seems to be quite numerous in places...” (Kushlan and Hafner 2000)

**PS FACTOR SCORE=?**

**Global Range** (Hancock and Kushlan 1984; inset=plan area range)



### Threats to Breeding Populations (TB)

**TB FACTOR SCORE=4**

### Breeding Distribution (BD)

*B. pinnatus pinnatus*—Nicaragua-Ecuador & Guianas S through Brazil & Paraguay to NE Argentina (Delany and Scott 2002)

*B. pinnatus caribaeus*—E Mexico, Belize (Delany and Scott 2002)

524,500 km<sup>2</sup> (plan area distribution; estimated from range maps)

Breeding range estimated to be smaller and more local than depicted in general range maps (Marshbird Workshop 2005)

**BD FACTOR SCORE=5**

### Non-breeding Distribution (ND)

*B. pinnatus pinnatus*—Nicaragua-Ecuador & Guianas S through Brazil & Paraguay to NE Argentina (Delany and Scott 2002)

*B. pinnatus caribaeus*—E Mexico, Belize (Delany and Scott 2002)

524,500 km<sup>2</sup> (plan area distribution; estimated from range maps)

## ND FACTOR SCORE=5

### Literature Cited:

- Delany, S. and S. Scott. 2002. *Waterbird Population Estimates – Third Edition. Wetlands International Global Series No. 12*, Wageningen, The Netherlands. Pp: 51
- Hancock, J. and J. Kushlan. 1984. *The Herons Handbook*. Harper & Row, NY. Pp: 267
- Kushlan, J. and H. Hafner. 2000. *Heron Conservation*. Academic Press, San Diego, CA.

